IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as indicated below.

1. (currently amended) A method for ~~method for~~ managing application programs in a digital electronic device, the method comprising the steps of:

storing, on the electronic device, an application set and an associated control file, wherein the application set includes at least one application comprising a plurality of object methods, wherein the control file integrates a plurality of applications in the application set such that more than one application can execute on the electronic device concurrently, and transparently to a user of the electronic device;

creating a plurality of bus listener objects in an object framework of the device;

defining a plurality of bus addresses, each corresponding to one and only one of the plurality of bus listener objects;

receiving a value from a process;

writing the value in a bus address; and

a bus listener object to which the bus address corresponds responding to a change in value stored in the bus address by invoking an object method associated with the address, wherein a plurality of relationships between the plurality of bus listener objects, the plurality of bus addresses, and a plurality of object methods is defined by the control file.

2. (original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of receiving a value comprises wirelessly receiving an activation signal from a remote source, the activation signal including a representation of a value.

3. (original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of receiving a value from a process comprises receiving a value from an application program method in the device.

4. (original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of receiving a value from a process comprises receiving a value from a framework method in the device.

5. (original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the step of creating a plurality of bus listener objects is performed in response to a control file specifying the bus address and corresponding method associated with the bus address of each bus listener.

6. (original) The method claimed in claim 1, wherein the object framework is a software layer between an application program layer and a platform layer.

7. (original) The method claimed in claim 6, wherein the object method is of an application program.

8. (original) The method claimed in claim 6, wherein the object method is of the framework.

9. (original) The method claimed in claim 8 wherein the object method runs an application program.

10. (original) The method claimed in claim 8 wherein the object method installs an application program.

11. (original) The method claimed in claim 8 wherein the object monitors application program usage.

12. (original) The method claimed in claim 8 wherein the object method enables an application program.

13. (currently amended) An electronic device, comprising:

a memory in which is storable an object framework and a plurality of application programs, the object framework comprising:

an application set comprising a plurality of application programs; and

an associated control file, wherein the control file integrates the plurality of applications in the application set such that more than one application can execute on the electronic device concurrently, and transparently to a user of the electronic device; and

a processing system programmed to effect a method using the object framework comprising the steps of:

creating a plurality of bus listener objects;

defining a plurality of bus addresses, each corresponding to one and only one of the plurality of bus listener objects;

receiving a value from a process;

writing the value in a bus address; and

a bus listener object to which the bus address corresponds responding to a change in value stored in the bus address by invoking an object method associated with the address, wherein a plurality of relationships between the plurality of bus listener objects, the plurality of bus addresses, and a plurality of object methods is defined by the control file.

14. (original) The device claimed in claim 13, wherein the processing system includes a wireless network interface that receives the value wirelessly from a remote source.

15. (original) The device claimed in claim 13, wherein the processing system receives a value from an application program.

16. (original) The device claimed in claim 13, wherein the processing system receives a value from a framework method in the device.

17. (original) The device claimed in claim 13, wherein the processing system creates the plurality of bus listener objects in response to a control file specifying the bus address and corresponding method associated with the bus address of each bus listener.

18. (original) The device claimed in claim 13, wherein the object framework is a software layer between an application program layer and a platform layer.

19. (original) The device claimed in claim 18, wherein the object method is of an application program.

20. (original) The device claimed in claim 18, wherein the object method is of the framework.

21. (original) The device claimed in claim 20, wherein the object method runs an application program.

22. (original) The device claimed in claim 20, wherein the object method installs an application program.

23. (original) The device claimed in claim 20, wherein the object method monitors application program usage.

24. (original) The device claimed in claim 20, wherein the object method enables an application program.